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The City of Norman Human Rights Award

The City of Norman Human Rights Award is presented to individuals or organizations in Norman who have shown outstanding effort, achievement and/or leadership in the promotion of human rights and equality, and serve as an example to all.

Please forward a nomination letter to:

Norman Human Rights Commission City of Norman P.O. Box 370 Norman, OK 73070

You may also email your nomination letter to <u>carol.coles@normanok.gov</u>. All nominations must be received by November 19, 2012. Please include your name and telephone number as well as that of the nominee. The person or organization selected by the Commission will be honored at the Norman City Council meeting on December 11, 2012.

If you have questions about the City of Norman Human Rights Award, please contact Carol Coles at 366-5404 or carol.coles@normanok.gov.

The City of Norman Human Rights Award Eligibility Criteria

The selection of an individual or group recipient in Norman, Oklahoma of the Human Rights Award is based on exceptional achievement to promote human rights and equality. Chapter 7 of the Code of the City of Norman states that it is the policy of the City of Norman that all citizens of this community shall have an equal opportunity to purchase, rent, lease, or occupy housing accommodations, or to avail themselves of public accommodations, and have an equal opportunity in the job market, and the social and economic life of the City, without regard to race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, age, place of birth, or handicap. It is further declared and determined to be the policy of the City of Norman that all citizens of this community should be provided with an opportunity to reach their full potential as human beings, without being inhibited by conditions relating to race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, age, place of birth or handicap.

Activities taken into consideration include:

Achievements – successes, results and impact

Efforts – personal risks taken, time expended, sacrifices made and years of service.

Leadership – inspiration or motivation given, cooperation fostered, organizations or programs created, example set and innovations undertaken.